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#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend as follows:

# Page 1, first paragraph:

The invention relates to a partition for use in the production of one or more multilayers or a multilayer pressed packet pursuant to the preamble to patent claim 1. The invention furthermore relates to a method for producing a corresponding partition pursuant to the preamble to patent claim 17, and a method for producing a multilayer pressed packet pursuant to the preamble to patent claim 32.

## Page 3, third and forth full paragraphs:

The above-stated objective is now accomplished for the partition in accordance with the invention with the characterizing portion of the patent claim 1, in that the partition is implemented as a steel sheet rather than a high-grade steel sheet, in that the steel sheet [-] at a temperature of essentially 180° C [-] possesses a tensile strength of at least  $Rm \ge 500$  MPa and/or [-] at a temperature of essentially 180° C [-] a yield strength of at least  $Rp_{0.2} \ge 470$  MPa.

For the method for producing a partition for a multilayer pressed packet, the above-stated object is now attained pursuant to the <u>invention characterizing portion of the patent claim 17</u> in that the partition is made of a steel sheet and not of high-grade steel, and in that the steel sheet [-] at a temperature of essentially  $180^{\circ}$  C [-] possesses a tensile strength of at least Rm  $\geq$  500 MPa and/or [-] at a temperature of essentially  $180^{\circ}$  C [-] possesses a yield strength of at least Rp<sub>0.2</sub>  $\geq$  470 MPa.

## Page 4, second full paragraph:

There now is a multitude of possibilities for structuring and refining the partition specified in the invention or the method for producing a partition as specified in the invention, along with the method for producing the multilayer pressed packet using said

the partition in an advantageous manner. For this, refer first to the patent claims subordinate to patent claim 1 or to patent claim 17. Several exemplary embodiments for the partition specified in the invention or for the method specified in the invention will be described in greater detail below with reference to the following description and the attached drawings, wherein:

#### Page 6, last paragraph:

Although both alternatives are mentioned here (thus the partition 1 or the partitions 1 represented in Fig. 1 through 8, can possess a tensile strength of at least  $Rm \ge 500$  MPa or a yield strength of at least  $Rp_{0.2} \ge 470$  Mpa), the combination of both strength values, in other words the realization of a tensile strength of at least  $Rm \ge 500$  MPa and the realization of a yield strength of at least  $Rp_{0.2} \ge 470$  MPa (each at a temperature of ca.  $180^{\circ}$  C) is optimal. It has been shown that a partition 1 that is implemented as a steel sheet and possesses precisely these minimum strength values is optimally suited for use in the production of the multilayer 2 or the multilayer pressed packet 3. The "image transfer" is correspondingly avoided with the use of these partitions 1, while the multilayers 2 that are produced have an optimal surface, and the partitions 1 specified in the invention can also be used several times, which once again results in a corresponding cost savings.